

**Florida School Grade A, 2014
Magnet School of Excellence, 2015**

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 6-May 1 PBS Grand Slam Rewards
April 7-8 FSA Math, 3rd & 4th grade
April 7 SAC Meeting, 6 PM
April 9-10 PTA Clothing Drive
April 14-15 FSA ELA, 5th grade
April 14 PTA Board Meeting
April 21 3rd Grade Concert
April 22-23 FSA Math, 5th grade
April 23 Trailblazer Assembly
April 28 Kindergarten Transition Night
April 30-May 1 Field Days
May 1 Gr 4/5 audition for Talent Show
May 2 All Pro Family Picnic
May 4-5 FCAT Science, 5th grade
May 4-8 Staff Appreciation Week
May 6 PTA General Meeting: Spring Engineering EXPO
May 6-8 PTA Book Drive

Save the Date:
PIA All Pro Family Picnic
Saturday, May 2,
10:30-12:30
Jamerson's PE Field

Message from the Principal

Greetings, families! Our children are working hard and showing excellent growth in reading, math, science and engineering. Please continue to read to and with your child, help them find quiet time and a comfortable space to complete homework, and talk to them about what they are learning at school.

Kristy Moody moodyk@pcsb.org

**Douglas L. Jamerson, Jr. Elementary has been selected by
Magnet Schools of America as a**

MAGNET SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE

For the NINTH consecutive year, Jamerson Elementary is being recognized by Magnet Schools of America. Our school has been named a School of Excellence. The honor will be received during an awards ceremony at the 33rd National Conference on Magnet Schools in Raleigh, North Carolina, April 24 - 26, 2015. In order to be considered for this nationally competitive award, schools must excel in meeting rigorous standards in the following areas:

- **Commitment to high academic standards**
 - **Curriculum innovation**
 - **Successful desegregation/diversity efforts; and**
 - **Consistent delivery of high quality education to students.**
- We are so pleased that the hard work of our students and educators is again being recognized. The students, parents, and staff are all deeply committed to learning and strive daily to exemplify the goals of a high performing magnet school.

CLOTHING DRIVE

Please support our PTA's spring clothing drive by bringing in your new or gently used clothing donations. All items will be donated to Clothes To Kids, a local organization that provides over 12,000 wardrobes each year. The drive will be held April 9th and 10th. There is a particular need for new, unopened packages of socks and underwear. Clothing in all sizes is needed, for children ages 5-16. Thanks for your support!

Summer Bridge Program

The Summer Bridge Elementary School Program is an extended learning opportunity for students who are performing below grade level or who are performing at grade level but are struggling to do so. Please check your child's agenda for an invitation or speak to a teacher to get your child enrolled. It is a wonderful opportunity to keep the learning momentum going.

To read the rest of this newsletter, visit our webpage!

April 7- April 30: Grand Slam

PBS Amazing April Awards

Students who have received **no unexcused tardies, no unexcused absences, no minor infractions and no referrals** will have their names entered into drawings on the Morning News Show on Fridays in April. Students will be able to earn prizes and privileges. Excused tardies and absences will be allowed only with doctors' notes. Students must be in their classrooms and ready to work when the **8:35 AM** bell rings. Students receive coupons each week if they have met all four of these conditions.

MANY Thanks to Our Recent Donors and Sponsors:

Anna Adamczyk, Publix (Belcher & Park Blvd location), Dickeys BBQ (Tyrone), Pet Pal Thrift Store, Paul Wahnish, Bright House, Sarah Kelly, Fazios Pizza & Subs, Jamerson PTA, Cramer Family, Smith Family, Susan Burnett, Alison Nichols, Evans Family, Wells Family, Eyde Family, Nicholson Family

Summer Bridge Program

The Summer Bridge Elementary School Program is an extended learning opportunity for students currently in kindergarten through fifth grade who are performing below grade level. Summer Bridge is also for students who are performing at grade level but are struggling to do so. The purpose of this program is to prepare students for maximum success when the 2015-2016 school year begins.

The six-week program will offer engaging reading, mathematics and science activities as well as individualized instruction. Lessons will use a blended model of technology with small group instruction, hands-on experiments, and project-based learning.

Parents will be responsible for providing transportation for their children.

Dates: June 16 - July 23

Hours: 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Days: Monday - Thursday

Visit www.pcsb.org for more details or to choose your location and register your child for Summer Bridge.

Please note that Summer Bridge will be offered at various locations around the county, but will not be offered at Jamerson this summer.

Ask your child if they know the Character Word of the Month for April: SELF-CONTROL---

Managing your emotions and choosing acceptable behavior.

SCHOOL OPENING TIMES

Gates open at 8:05 AM, classroom doors open at 8:25 AM.

Students must be in their seats by 8:34 because **teaching begins 8:35 AM.**
Breakfast served until 8:25 AM.